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A Few Facts

About

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And its Advantages

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AFTER a days business and the hurry and excitement of the city, we long for the quiet and comforts of a home away from the confining and noisy city, with its rows of brick walls. We want a home of our own, where one can enjoy the quietness and the natural beauties of a suburban resting-place with the conveniences and social features of the city, where we can exercise a natural pride in the surroundings and in the furtherance of every improvement in the place in which we live, at the same time, preserving an independence as a representative citizen, instead of one in a million in the city.

Leaving New York, either at 23rd street or Chambers street ferries, we arrive in Jersey City, where the handsomely furnished coaches of the Erie Railway, (Greenwood Lake division) await to carry us after fifteen minutes of travel, seven miles from New York to

Arlington,

situated on the hills bordering the East side of the Passaic river, overlooking the Orange mountains and valleys, Palisades of the Hudson, Newark Bay and New York Harbor. Here we find a village laid out fifteen years ago, and now containing over 1200 homes of the business men of New York City and Newark. The prosperity and growth of the town is easily recognized by its handsome homes, well-kept lawns, flagged and graded sidewalks, paved gutters, macadamized roadways, a complete and perfect system of sewerage, water, gas, and elaborate system of electric light and street car lines. The residences are of the most modern architecture, proportionately separated by beautiful lawns, giving to each the appearance of all the comforts one could wish for in a home amid beautiful surroundings, pure air, and every convenience to be found in the large cities.





Among its public buildings, in particular we note the Public Schools, the two portrayed in this volume, costing over \$50,000.00, and containing every modern improvement with accommodations for 1000 scholars, governed by a staff of two principals and fourteen teachers. The standard educational grades in use equals, if not surpasses those used in the City of New York.

The spiritual welfare of its people is taken care of in the seven churches of various denominations in the village, and accommodation for 1000 children in the Sunday Schools connected with the churches.

The social features and entertainment offered its citizen, cannot be better described than by referring to the Arlington Club House.

The Arlington Club whose delightful home is shown on the opposite page, have here a club house which would do credit to any place. It contains a theatre, bowling alleys, billiard rooms, shooting gallery, library and



reading rooms, baths and other accommodations, and here can be spent many an idle hour in good company, the dues being so small that all can readily enjoy the privileges of the place. The building was erected in 1891 and cost over \$15,000.00. It is elegantly furnished throughout. Wednesdays are known as ladies' day, the building is given over to the ladies until evening, when music is furnished and dancing enjoyed until midnight.

Its close proximity to the large cities makes this lovely village a very desirable spot for residence purposes, while its location secures to it fine views and pure and undefiled air, making it a most healthful place, the prevailing breezes coming from the West bringing the lovely mountain air, laden with the cooling strains from the lakes and valleys of the Passaic river valley, while at the foot of the streets run the rapid waters of the Passaic river, giving a most delightful opportunity for boating, bathing and fishing, while the



athletic boat and canoe clubs furnish sport and amusement for young and old all the year round.

The annual regattas of all the national and great rowing associations in and around New York are held on the Passaic river at this place, and always attract thousands of sight-seers, while the local clubs furnish entertainment at all times.

The Iron works and large factories furnish employment for nearly one thousand hands. The forty-two stores of the village furnish goods and supplies from all the markets of the cities and country at prices so reasonable and in variety so great, that one can supply all his wants at home, while the system in use at all the stores of ordering and delivery of goods at your own door makes it convenient to every one, no matter what portion of the village he may reside in.



Four broad roads lead to Newark, a city of two hundred thousand inhabitants, only one mile away and connected with us by means of street car lines, while macadamized roads lead in other directions to Rutherford, Bloomfield, Montclair, Orange, Paterson and other places from three to eight miles away, thus furnishing fine shady drives and walks. Passaic Avenue leading along the river bank mile after mile is one of the finest boulevards in the country.

In order to give an idea of what may be expected in the future let us judge by the past. In the last five years there has been spent in buildings alone more than a million of dollars ; eight miles of new streets and avenues have been opened, five miles of macadamized roadways have been built, flag walks and brick or pipe sewers have been laid in nearly every street in the place, seven miles of water pipe have been laid, a fire brigade, hook and



ladder and two hose companies have been organized, the gas mains have been extended so that they now consist of over ten miles of pipe, the electric street lighting system has been extended to the outskirts of the village and street car lines have been built connecting us with the electric roads of the Newark system, bringing us into close and easy connection with Newark and all surrounding places, also with the railways leading to the south and west, while our own railroad has been entirely rebuilt, the road-bed laid with broken stone, which does away with dust and at the same time strengthens the road, new cars, engines and the automatic block signalling system have been put into use on all portions of the road, new ferry houses and depots have been built, and new ferry boats have been put on so that now one can cross the river in five minutes time, which shortens the time from New York to Arlington to less than thirty minutes.



All these improvements have been paid for by the people who have lived in the village and profited by it. Values have steadily increased with each improvement ; lots which formerly sold for fifty and seventy-five dollars each now bring three and four hundred dollars, and more, and as the place continues to grow land must increase in value. Large profits have been made on every investment made in land in the village in the last ten years, and the opportunities which are now offering indicate that money is to be made by all who will invest in land in Arlington and come help improve the place.

If you have any interest in a growing, thriving place, where over three thousand people have already located and are prospering, in sight of and distant only thirty minutes from the business center of New York city, come, see for yourself and be convinced, that it is better to make easy payments for your own home in a place like ours, than to pay rent in a crowded city.



The land within the park limits, opposite the railway station belongs to the Park Association and has been absolutely dedicated to the uses of a public park forever. The expense of maintaining the park is born by the members of the Park Association and by voluntary contributions, while the park grounds are looked after by the lady members.

“The Freeman” contains stores, flats and a large public hall capable of accommodating 1200 people. It is heated throughout with steam, and lighted by gas and electricity and contains every modern improvement known in halls of the kind ; it is occupied nearly every evening by some entertainment or performance, or by one of the lodges or societies. The masonic room is one of the finest in the state.

Every one owns their home, making it to the interest of all to beautify and care for their own places and producing a spirit of rivalry among the



residents to outdo their neighbor in having their places look handsome, which results in making a beautiful village. These residences cost from \$1,500, to \$5,000, and can be had by making a cash payment of \$500, and paying a monthly amount equal to what is usually paid for rent, with the result that in a few years time (from four to seven) you find that you are the owner of your own home.

Some people prefer to buy the land, and by joining a Building Loan Association, of which there are three prosperous ones in the village, borrow the money at a low rate and build their own home. This can readily be done, while to those who belong to the Building Loan Associations in other places, we would suggest that you do not need to withdraw your shares, they are all good and you can readily get the money from the association to which you already belong, as all the leading associations readily make loans in our village.







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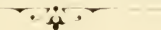
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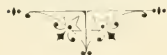
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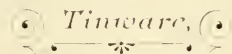
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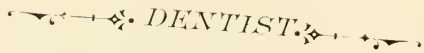



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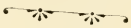
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